



## Technical Assistance Exchange July 11, 2012

A weekly update for Aging & Disability Resource Centers, Community Living Programs, Alzheimer's Disease Supportive Services Programs, Veteran Directed Home and Community Based Service Program and their Partners

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### Learning Symposium Agenda

NASUAD will be hosting ACL grantees for a Learning Symposium on **September 10th, 2012**, the day before their National Home and Community Based Services Conference begins. The Learning Symposium is designed for state and program staff involved in ADRC, Options Counseling Standards, Evidence-Based Care Transitions, Systems Integration, Alzheimer's Disease Supportive Services Programs, and Lifespan Respite programs and grantees may use funds they budgeted for National Meetings to attend. An updated [Draft Learning Symposium](#)

### NASUAD State Planning Grant Initiative

As part of its work with the Aging Network's Volunteer Collaborative, NASUAD is pleased to announce a planning grant opportunity for state agencies. The grants of up to \$25,000 will be awarded to four State Agencies on Aging for developing a State Volunteer Engagement Plan. The purpose of the State Volunteer Engagement Plan is to help the Aging Network's Volunteer Collaborative meet its goal of doubling the current number of volunteers now serving the aging network. The state volunteer engagement plan should be a new initiative and not one currently funded by the federal government which is now being implemented at the state level

The submission deadline is July 27, 2012. [Applications](#) can be found at the Aging Network's Volunteer Collaborative website. For more information, please contact Karl Cooper at [kcooper@nasuad.org](mailto:kcooper@nasuad.org)

### Funding for Health Center Controlled Networks (HCCN) in FY 2013

The Department of Health and Human Services Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) is soliciting applications for [Health Center Controlled Networks](#) (HCCN) in fiscal year (FY) 2013. HRSA is seeking to provide grants to HCCNs to advance the adoption and implementation of Health Information Technology (HIT) and to support quality improvement in health centers throughout the United States and its territories. HCCN grants will support the adoption and meaningful use of certified electronic health records (EHRs) and technology-enabled quality-improvement (QI) strategies in health centers. This is a great opportunity for ADRCs to engage their local community health centers to determine if they might be applying for this funding

[Agenda](#) is now available for grantees to consult as they make travel arrangements. A more detailed agenda will be released in the near future.

\*See [Upcoming Conferences](#) for more information

\*[Register Here](#)

and partner to gain access to any implementations.

[Further Information](#) about this funding opportunity and the application can be found online. The application deadline is September 10, 2012, 8:00 PM ET.

## New Resources



[ADRC Consumer Based Standards](#) developed by Oregon include consumer expectations, ADRC standards, and draft performance metrics for six categories, including IR&A and Options Counseling.



The Institute of Medicine released a new report on July 10 titled, [The Mental Health and Substance Use Workforce for Older Adults: In Whose Hands?](#) The report discusses the implications of a shortage of health professionals to aid aging baby boomers with mental health conditions and substance abuse problems. The committee that wrote the report said that the magnitude of the problem is so great that no single approach or isolated changes in a few federal agencies or programs will be able to fully address it. The report calls for a redesign of Medicare and Medicaid payment rules to guarantee coverage of counseling, care management, and other types of services crucial for treating mental health conditions and substance use problems so that clinicians are willing to provide this care. The [Full Report](#) is available on the IOM website.

## Upcoming Calls and Webinars

### 1) Webinar: Connecting the Aging Network, Individuals with Dementia, and Caregivers with Research Opportunities

The National Institute on Aging (NIA) and the Administration on Aging (AoA), in partnership with grantees including the Alzheimer's Association, Alzheimer's Disease Research Centers, Alzheimer's Disease Education and Referral Center, and the Eldercare Locator are partnering to host a webinar series to improve coordination of resources available to assist persons with Alzheimer's Disease or other dementias and their family caregivers! All are invited - especially new staff / interns / volunteers, or those just interested in getting a refresher.

\*July 12, 2012, 1:30-3:00 PM ET

\*[More Information and Registration](#)

### 2) Webinar: Everything You Wanted to Know to Apply to the Community-based Care Transitions Program (CCTP) by September 3, 2012

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) will host a webinar covering program requirements, preferences, and other

keys to success from CMS Innovation Center staff and communities currently participating in the CCTP program. The final CCTP review panel for 2012 will convene on September 20, 2012. Applications must be received by September 3rd to be considered for this review. Future panels may be announced as funding permits.

**\*July 12, 2012, 12:00-1:30 PM ET**

**[\\*Register Here](#)**

**3) RESCHEDULED Webinar: Developing Partnerships: Aging and Disability Resource Centers, Money Follows the Person, and Centers for Independent Living**

The Administration on Aging and the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services have a partnership to lead transformation of long term services and supports systems through initiatives such as the ADRC and MFP Rebalancing Demonstrations. This webinar explores the role of Centers for Independent Living and highlights state innovations in ADRC/MFP/CIL Partnerships. CIL administrators and staff are especially encouraged to take part in this discussion hosted by NCIL.

**\*July 12, 2012, 3:00-4:30 PM ET**

**\*Call-in: (800) 683-4564 Passcode: 866844**

**[\\*Register Here](#)**

**4) RESCHEDULED Webinar: Recent Changes at the Administration on Aging: Impact on Aging and Disability Networks**

Kathy Greenlee, who serves the dual roles of Administrator of the Administration for Community Living and Assistant Secretary for Aging, will address the rationale for the change that brought together the Administration on Aging, the Office on Disability and the Administration on Developmental Disabilities to create the Administration for Community Living.

**\*July 17, 2012, 2:00 PM ET**

**[\\*Register Here](#)**

**5) Online Course: Implementing Olmstead: ABCs of Nursing Home Transition**

During this three-week distance course, participants will learn about how the ADA formed the basis for the Olmstead Decision and the use of the Olmstead Decision to facilitate transition from nursing homes to community-based living. Participants will learn to identify the essential steps in the transition process, barriers to successful transition, and strategies to address the barriers.

**\*August 6-24, 2012**

**\*Registration Deadline: July 18, 2012**

**[\\*More Information](#)**

**[\\*Register Here](#) (\$100 Fee)**

## Upcoming Conference

### NASUAD, National Home and Community Based Services Conference

Please join NASUAD for the National Home and Community Based Services Conference, which will showcase innovative national, federal, state and local delivery and policy developments vital for assuring Americans of all ages and abilities receive the highest quality community living supports, care, and services possible. Federal, state and local leaders, advocates, and champions for children, older adults, and individuals with disabilities from across the nation are invited to attend the conference. NASUAD will also host the September 10th Learning Symposium. It is designed for state and program staff involved in ADRC, Options Counseling Standards, Evidence-Based Care Transitions, Systems Integration, Alzheimer's Disease Supportive Services Programs, and Lifespan Respite programs and grantees may use funds they budgeted for National Meetings to attend. An updated [Draft Learning Symposium Agenda](#) is now available for grantees to consult as they make travel arrangements.

\*September 11 -13, 2012

\*Crystal City, Arlington, Virginia

\*[More Information](#)

\*[Register Here](#) (fees increase August 3)

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